

The story of Iblis Being Sent to Earth

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Chapter 1: The Story of Satan Being Sent to Earth

The Descent of Iblis to Earth:

When Iblis was sent down to the earth, he addressed the Lord with several requests concerning his new existence.

Request for a Home:

Iblis:

"O Lord, You have sent me down to the earth and have shown me mercy; therefore, appoint for me a home."

Allah:

"Your home shall be the bathhouses and latrines."

Request for a Council:

Iblis:

"Appoint for me a council."

Allah:

"Your council shall be the marketplaces and the gatherings on the roads."

Request for Food:

Iblis:

"Provide for me food."

Allah:

"Your food will be that upon which the name of Allah is not mentioned."

Request for a Drink:

Iblis:

"Grant me a drink."

Allah:

"Your drink shall be every intoxicant."

Request for a Caller to Assembly:

Iblis:

"Appoint for me a caller to assembly."

Allah:

"Your caller shall be music, instruments, and flutes."

Request for a Qur'an:

Iblis:

"Make for me a Quran."

Allah:

"Your Quran will be poetry and verse."

Request for a Book:

Iblis:

"Make for me a book."

Allah:

"Your book shall be the Psalms."

Request for a Tradition:

Iblis:

"Appoint for me a tradition."

Allah:

"Your tradition will be lies."

Request for a Messenger:

Iblis:

"Appoint for me a messenger."

Allah:

"Your messengers will be sorcerers."

Request for Traps:

Iblis:

"Set for me traps."

Allah:

"Your traps shall be women."